

Please add the following new claim.

--20. (New) An image decoding method for decoding an encoded bit stream formed by encoding images for each object, comprising the steps of:

decoding object display speed information from said encoded bit stream,
the display speed information indicating a number of objects displayed per a unit time;
and
controlling the reconstruction of said encoded images encoded for each
object, based on said decoded object display speed information.--

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